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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtic.

His Majeſty's Moſt Gracious SPEECH *to both Houſes of Parliament, on the Fourteenth Day of* November, 1751.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is with great Satisfaction that I meet you in Parliament, at this Time, when the Continuance of the Public Tranquillity, and the flouriſhing Condition of my Kingdoms, leave us nothing to deſire, but to ſecure and improve our preſent Situation. To this End all My Views and Meaſures have been directed both at Home and Abroad; and, in this State of Things, nothing can give Me more real Pleaſure, than to obſerve thoſe ſolid Advantages which My good Subjects reap from it, in their Trade and Manufactures; ſome Branches whereof have alſo received conſiderable Benefit, from the wiſe Proviſions which have been made by this Parliament.

The Treaty lately entered into with the Elector of Bavaria, was laid before you in your laſt Seſſion; and I then acquainted you, that I was taking ſuch further Meaſures, as might tend to ſecure the Tranquillity of the Empire; ſupport its Syſtem; and timely prevent ſuch Events as had been found by Experience to endanger the common Cauſe. I have ſince, for the ſame Purpoſes, in Conjunction with the States General of the United Provinces, found it neceſſary to conclude a Treaty with the King of Poland, Elector of Saxony; which ſhall be communicated to you.

The unfortunate Event of the Prince of Orange's Death, has made no Alteration in the State of Affairs in Holland; and by the prudent and early Meaſures taken there, the Quiet of the Country has been preſerved, and their Government carried on upon the Foundation of the Settlement, which had, with ſo much Foreſight, been previouſly eſtabliſhed by the Laws of the Republick. I have received the ſtrongeſt Aſſurances from the States General, of their firm Reſolution to maintain that ſtrict Union and Friendſhip, which ſo happily ſubſiſt between Me, and thoſe ancient and natural Allies of My Crown.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

I have ordered Eſtimates of the Expences of the enſuing Year to be prepared and laid before you; and have no other Supplies to aſk of you, but ſuch as are requiſite for thoſe Services, and for making good ſuch neceſſary Engagements, as you are made acquainted with. The Succeſs which has attended your Firmneſs in reducing the Intereſt of the National Debt, will, I am confident, give you the greateſt Satisfaction.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Experience I have had of your dutiful and ſteady Conduct, makes it wholly unneceſſary for Me to preſs upon you Unanimity and Diſpatch in your Deliberations. But I cannot conclude, without recommending to you in the moſt earneſt Manner, to conſider ſeriouſly of ſome effectual Proviſions to ſuppreſs thoſe audacious Crimes of Robbery and Violence which are now become ſo frequent, eſpecially about this great Capital; and which have proceeded in a great Meaſure, from that profligate Spirit of Irreligion, Idleneſs, Gaming, and Extravagance, which has of late extended itſelf in an uncommon Degree, to the Diſhonour of the Nation, and to the great Offence and Prejudice of the ſober and induſtrious Part of My People.

The Humble ADDRESS of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament aſſembled.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament aſſembled, approach Your Throne with Hearts full of that Zeal and Affection for Your Perſon and Government, which become the moſt faithful Subjects to the beſt of Kings.

We beg Leave, in the firſt Place, to return Your Majeſty our humble Thanks, for Your moſt gracious Speech from the Throne; in which you have, with ſo much Goodneſs, expreſſed Your Care of our Welfare, and Your Delight in our Happineſs. Juſtice as well as Gratitude, calls upon us to acknowledge the ineſtimable Bleſſings we enjoy under Your Majeſty's auſpicious Government; and the Continuance of the publick Tranquillity, the proſperous Situation of Your Kingdoms, the flouriſhing Condition of our Commerce, and the Opportunity, which theſe Circumſtances have afforded, for reducing the Burden of the National Intereſt, are, under the Divine Protection, owing to the wiſe Meaſures, which Your Majeſty has purſued, both at Home and Abroad, for the true Intereſts of Your People.

We are fully ſenſible, that thoſe Meaſures have not been reſtrained merely to preſent Objects, but have been prudently extended to guard againſt future Evils and Dangers. In this Light we conſider the Treaty lately concluded by Your Majeſty with the King of Poland, Elector of Saxony; the good Effects of which will, we hope, be fully anſwerable to Your great and ſalutary Views.

The Death of the Prince of Orange, a Prince ſo nearly allied to Your Majeſty, and of ſuch Importance to the Common Cauſe, has given us great Concern. But it is a real Satisfaction to us, that this unfortunate Event has been attended with no ill Conſequence to the State of Affairs in Holland; whoſe Security and Welfare we conſider as intimately connected with our own. The Support of that Government, upon the Settlement which had been before happily eſtabliſhed, and the cordial Aſſurances which your Majeſty has received from the States General, give us the greateſt Pleaſure; and confirm us in that Reſolution, which we have long adhered to, of maintaining and cultivating the ſtricteſt Union and Friendſhip with that Proteſtant Republick.

We acknowledge, with all Thankfulneſs, the paternal Regard which Your Majeſty has ſhewn for Your People, in publicly declaring Your juſt Reſentment againſt thoſe audacious Crimes of Robbery and Violence, which, in Defiance of the Laws, are now grown to ſuch an Exceſs, particularly in this Part of the Kingdom. We look upon them as a real Nuiſance and Diſhonour to the Nation; and the Increaſe of Irreligion, Idleneſs, Gaming, and all Kinds of Licentiouſneſs, has been long lamented by all good Men, as the unhappy Source of this and many other Miſchiefs. All Conſiderations, both religious and political, call upon us to put a Stop to theſe growing Evils; and nothing ſhall be wanting, on our Part, to enforce and ſtrengthen the Laws for puniſhing and ſuppreſſing all ſuch wicked Practices, and to prevent and remedy the pernicious Cauſes of them. Permit us, at the ſame Time, to give Your Majeſty the ſtrongeſt Aſſurances, that we are zealouſly determined, in all our Deliberations, to contribute every Thing in our Power, to the Security and Quiet of Your Majeſty's Government, the Happineſs of your People, and the Glory of Your Reign.

His MAJESTY's moſt Gracious ANSWER.

My Lords,

"I Thank you very kindly for this dutiful and affectionate Addreſs. "The Satisfaction you ſhew in the Meaſures I have taken, both at "Home and Abroad, for the Preſervation of the public Peace, and for "the Advancement of the Intereſt of My People, is very agreeable to "Me; and cannot fail of having a good Effect, for promoting thoſe great "and ſalutary Views."

The Humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of Commons to the KING.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great-Britain in Parliament aſſembled; humbly beg Leave to return Your Majeſty our moſt hearty Thanks for Your Majeſty's moſt Gracious Speech from the Throne.

Permit us, Sir, with Hearts full of Gratitude, to expreſs our lively and due Senſe of the Happineſs we enjoy under Your Majeſty's wiſe and juſt Government, and our well grounded Confidence that Your Majeſty's Views are, and ever will be, directed to no other End, than to ſecure and improve the preſent flouriſhing Condition of Your Kingdoms. The Regard Your Majeſty is pleaſed to teſtify for the Advancement of our Trade and Manufactures, as it is a ſignal Inſtance of Your Majeſty's conſtant and univerſal Attention to the Welfare of Your Subjects, demands our ſincereſt Acknowledgments; and it cannot but be Matter of the higheſt Satisfaction to us, that the Proviſions made for that Purpoſe by this Parliament, in Purſuance of Your Majeſty's moſt gracious Recommendation, have produced the deſired Effect.

We unfeignedly aſſure Your Majeſty, that we will readily concur in all ſuch Meaſures, as tend to ſecure the ineſtimable Bleſſings of Peace to us, by eſtabliſhing more firmly the general Tranquillity in Europe.

Affected with the deepeſt Concern, we condole with Your Majeſty on the unfortunate Event of the Death of the Prince of Orange; but, at the ſame Time, beg Leave to expreſs the great Conſolation we feel from the ſtrong Aſſurances, given to Your Majeſty on this Occaſion by the States General of the United Provinces, which leave us no Room to doubt of the Continuance of the ſtrict Union and Friendſhip, ſo eſſential to the Intereſts of both Countries.

Your faithful Commons with the utmoſt Chearfulneſs promiſe to grant to Your Majeſty ſuch Supplies, as may enable Your Majeſty to fulfil the Engagements and anſwer the ſeveral Services, which ſhall be found neceſſary for the public Good.

We cannot ſufficiently acknowledge Your Majeſty's Wiſdom and Goodneſs, in recommending to our Conſideration the Miſchiefs and Diſhonour, which ariſe to this Nation from the audacious Crimes of Robbery and Violence, ſo notorious of late to all the World; and we humbly aſſure Your Majeſty, that we will ſeriouſly proceed in reviſing and enforcing ſuch Laws, as may contribute to ſuppreſs thoſe Enormities, by diſcouraging Irreligion, Idleneſs, Gaming, and Immorality, by promoting Induſtry, and eſtabliſhing Good Order amongſt Your Majeſty's Subjects.

His MAJESTY's moſt Gracious ANSWER.

Gentlemen,

"I Thank you moſt heartily for this very affectionate Addreſs. ---No"thing can give Me ſo much Pleaſure as to ſee My People happy. "---It ſhall be My conſtant Care, as far as in Me lies, to make them "ſo."

Naples, Oct. 26. In the Afternoon of the 23d, we were alarmed with the ſlight Shock of an Earthquake; but our Apprehenſions were abated by ſeveral Perſons of Experience affirming it to be a Preſage of Irruptions from Mount Veſuvius. Nor were they miſtaken, for, on the 25th, the Wind ſhifting to the North-weſt, a black and thick Smoke was ſeen to iſſue with great Rapidity from the Aperture of the Mountain; in the Evening Flames were perceived, and to increaſe, ſo that the whole Crater ſeemed in a Blaze. On the 26th, a Cleft was perceived a little below the Summit, and a Stream of ignited Matter guſhed from it like a River of Flame. Yeſterday the Appearance of Mount Veſuvius was quite tremendous; the inflamed Torrent, after making a Channel, had divided itſelf into two Streams, which impetuouſly continued their Courſe among the Fields, Farms and Vineyards, which lye between the Mountain and the Sea. Our Virtuoſos ſay, that the Torrent now is at its Height, and that it will have no ſooner reached the Sea, which will be To-day, than the Fire of the Mountain will gradually decreaſe to a total Extinction. It is certain, that, from the Multitude of Obſervations made of late Years on the Ebullitions of the Mountain, the Duration of moſt of them, unleſs very extraordinary, may be calculated within a few Hours. Princeſs Eſterhaſi, the Imperial Ambaſſadreſs, more intent upon the Cauſes, than frightened at the Effects of this Phænomenon, did not miſs a Day going to that Part of the Mountain where the ignited Subſtance bent its Courſe, taking with her ſome Perſons of Learning for her Information, and from thence ſhe came down along the Grounds through which the Stream had taken its Way to the Sea. The Channel which it has made is about 500 Feet broad, and the Sediment left in it is of a ſulphureous Subſtance, which dries into the Hardneſs of a Stone.

The King has ſent a Circular Letter to all the Biſhops of this Kingdom, which cannot fail of being very acceptable, as therein his Majeſty grants them the Diſpoſal of all Livings within their Dioceſes; forbidding all Application to the Court of Rome for thoſe Collations. The Motive of this Order is, to keep at home thoſe immenſe Sums which were expended abroad when Rome was the only Market for thoſe Benefices: Nor is it any more than England did long before it came to a Rupture with the Holy See.

A Deputation from Sclavonia arrived here, and being admitted to his Majeſty, they repreſented to him, that the Impoſts at home being ſo numerous that there was no ſubſiſting under them, they found themſelves reduced to ſeek a Settlement abroad; that the Reputation of his Majeſty's wiſe and mild Government had brought them to make an Offer of themſelves, and their Countrymen, to become his Subjects; that they requeſted his Majeſty would grant them a Portion of Land in ſome Part of his Kingdom, which ſhould be an immediate Fief of the Crown, independent of any Juriſdiction whatſoever; that, beſides he would allow them Proviſions for a Year, and exempt them from all Duties and Taxes for the Term of Twenty Years; that, upon theſe Conditions, they would, with infinite Joy, come under his happy Sovereignty, and take a ſolemn Engagement to ſerve him and his Succeſſors, in all the Wars which the Crown of the Two Sicilies may be concerned in. His Majeſty conſidering them as a brave induſtrious People conſented to every Point of their Petition, and the Iſland of Vento di Terra is to be the Settlement of this new Colony.

LONDON,

Nov. 19. The Hawk, Brown, who is arrived at Liverpool from Jamaica, was boarded off the Weſt End of Cuba by a Spaniſh Settee, who detained her 26 Hours; but upon the Captain's declaring he would leave her in their Hands, and take no Charge of her, in Caſe they carried him into Port, they ſuffered him to proceed on his Voyage, but not 'til after they had ſtript him and his Crew of their Cloaths and Stores, and alſo ſome Proviſions. The ſaid Settee carried off a Schooner that ſailed in Company with the Hawk, bound from Jamaica to New-York, having on Board a Gentleman and his Family, with thirty Slaves; and alſo a Sloop bound to the Northern Colonies.

Nov. 21. The Spaniſh Court, as we hear, has made Complaints about a Settlement formed by the Engliſh on the Muſquito Coaſt, and alſo concerning a Fort they have erected in the Iſland of Rattan, which that Court looks upon as Breaches of the Peace of Aix-la-Chapelle: But it ſeems doubtful whether their Complaints will be regarded, as it is ſaid that the Crown of Great Britain has a Right to Part of the Muſquito Coaſt. They apprehend that the Diſcuſſion of this Affair may take up ſome Months; but ſtill they would have us believe, that it will not be a Means of delaying the Concluſion of the Convention between the two Courts about a Free Navigation for the Engliſh in the Spaniſh Weſt-Indies.

M. Michel, charged with the Pruſſian Affairs at this Court, has made the ſame Requiſition as the Pruſſian Secretary lately did at the Hague, viz. That the Ships of the Embden Company, when obliged by Streſs of Weather, or other Accidents, to put into any Ports of the Dominions of the Crown of Great-Britain, whether in Europe, Aſia, Africa, or America, may receive ſuch Aſſiſtance as friendly Nations are accuſtom'd to give each other in the like Caſes. M. Michel, as we are likewiſe informed, has acquainted the Miniſtry, that the Negociation between the Courts of Berlin and Vienna, takes a very good Turn, and there is Room to hope it will ſoon be brought to a final Concluſion.

On Thurſday laſt the Wife of James Piercy, an induſtrious labouring Man at Old Brentford, was brought to Bed of three Boys, who are chriſten'd, by the Names of *Matthew*, *Mark*, and *Luke*, and are likely to live It is remarkable, that *that* Day eleven Months the above Woman had three Boys and one Girl at a Birth.

Nov. 26. It is reported, that, contrary to all Expectation, no Diſcovery can be made at Paris concerning the Perſons who threw a Packet of Papers into the Cradle of the young Heir Apparent. This Packet contained a Letter which was given to the King, but the Contents are not known, and three little Parcels, very neatly done up, the firſt containing Starch Powder, the ſecond Sand, and the third Gunpowder. Some ſay that the Chamber Maid who had the Care of the Apartment had been formerly out of her Senſes.

Private Letters from Paris intimate, that the Coffee-Houſe Politicians laugh in their Sleeve at the tedious Conferences about L---m---ts in A-m---r---a, and obſerve that Frenchmen, notwithſtanding all their Vivacity, can check their natural Fire when they pleaſe, and creep with as ſlow a Pace as the Spaniards.

His Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland was very bad on Sunday Night; the Princeſs Amelia ſat up with him 'til Five in the Morning; he continued very ill all Day, but was thought to be much better laſt Night at Eleven o' Clock.

Yeſterday a Guard was poſted to prevent all Coaches, Carriages, &c. from paſſing to any of the Apartments adjoining to the Duke of Cumberland's, and to oblige all Perſons to come thither in Chairs.

The Accident that occaſioned his Royal Highneſs's Illneſs, was as follows: He was hunting, and on full Speed near Croydon in Surrey on Saturday ſe'ennight, when his Horſe fell, and his Highneſs under him. He was ſtunned for a few Minutes, but as he recovered himſelf, he told thoſe about him he was not hurt, and came that ſame Day to Town, and went in the Evening to the Play. He did not complain much on Sunday, but on Monday had very acute Pains in his Side, and was bled by Mr. Andrew his Surgeon, and attended by his Phyſicians, Dr. Wintringham and Dr. Pringle, who repeated the Bleedings ſeveral Times to the Quantity of about forty Ounces. He was likeways bliſtered. Dr. Ward was likeways ſent for, but his Opinion, and that of the Phyſicians not agreeing, his Majeſty who frequently viſited him, inſiſting that he ſhou'd determine under whoſe Care he ſhould remain; as divided Opinions could not be followed, his Highneſs choſe to be attended by his Phyſicians.

As ſome of our Northern Colonies are taking Meaſures to defeat the old Cuſtom of peopling them with Felons from England, it is apprehended the Legiſlature will be at laſt obliged to contrive ſome Way to keep and employ thoſe Wretches at Home: And as hanging hitherto has not proved a Means to prevent the Increaſe of Robberies, and no good Reaſon can be aſſigned, why Men, who are not fit to live at home, ſhould be ſent to infect our Colonies, there ſeems to be no other Alternative, than Confinement and hard Labour here, that ſo they may be made ſome Way uſeful to the Society they have injured.

November 28. On Tueſday Night his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland was judged by his Phyſicians to be much better. His Majeſty and the Princeſs Amelia attended him till Five on Tueſday Morning before they retired. He was in the Afternoon blooded for the fifth Time ſince his Diſorder, and it is computed that upwards of 100 Ounces of Blood have been taken from him.

His Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, the Princeſs Dowager of Wales, and Prince Edward, were Yeſterday to viſit the Duke of Cumberland, who continues on the mending Hand.

December 3. Yeſterday a great Number of the principal Nobility were admitted to pay their Reſpects to his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland, and compliment him on his happy Recovery.

On Saturday laſt a Proclamation was iſſued out, with a Reward of 500l. for apprehending the Hon. Alexander Murray, Eſq; (who was cloſely confin'd in Newgate during the laſt Seſſions of Parliament, and releaſed from thence upon their Prorogation) but we are inform'd by the laſt Utrecht Gazette, that the ſaid Gentleman is in Paris, and has been there for ſeveral Weeks paſt.

One Day laſt Week, as three Gentlemen with one Servant, in two Poſt-Chaiſes, were travelling between Hockley and Brickhill, in the High Road to Cheſter, (arm'd with a Brace of Piſtols in the firſt Chaiſe, and another Brace with a Gun in the ſecond) they were attack'd near the Sand-Houſe by a ſingle Highwayman, who immediately ordered the Gentlemen to throw their Arms out of the Chaiſes, which they very ſubmiſſively comply'd with; he then robbed them of three Gold chas'd Watches, a Portmanteau and Money, to the Value of near 300l. After he was loaded with the Booty and going off, he offered to reſtore the Portmanteau, if they could muſter amongſt them Ten Guineas, whereupon they aſſured him he had all their Money, but that one of them had a Diamond Ring that he would give him if he would return the Portmanteau, which the Highwayman looked at, and admired ſo much, that he made free with it alſo, and kept the Portmanteau, and made off. ——— *So we find that Guns, Piſtols, &c. are more for Ornament than Uſe.*

December 17. Private Letters from Paris intimate, that the young Ch---v---l---r is actually *incog.* in France, and the Earl of A ——— e, upon Information thereof, having complained to the French Miniſtry, was anſwer'd, That they could not take Notice of any Perſon that kept *incog.* that if he made any public Appearance, they ſhould not fail to ſend him out of the Kingdom; but at preſent all they could ſay was, that they knew nothing of the Matter. ——— *If this be Fact, it may partly account for the laying aſide the Grand Preparations in the Hay-market.*

December 21. Yeſterday an Expreſs arrived at St. James's with the melancholly Account of the Death of her Majeſty Louiſa Queen of Denmark, youngeſt Daughter of our moſt gracious Sovereign King George II. Her Majeſty was far advanced in her Pregnancy, and her Death is ſaid to have been cauſed by her haſtily ſtooping, whereby ſhe was inſtantly ſenſible of having hurt herſelf. She was born December 7, 1724. and was married to Frederick the preſent King of Denmark, Nov. 30. 1743. And has left Iſſue one Prince and three Princeſſes, viz.

1. Princeſs Sophia Magdalen, born July 3, 1746.
2. Princeſs Wilhelmina Carolina, born July 10, 1747.
3. Prince Chriſtian, born January 29. 1748-9.
4. Princeſs Louiſa, born January 30, 1749-50.

WILLIAMSBURG, February 27.

This Day the General Aſſembly of this Colony met at the College in this City, and 84 Members of the Houſe of Burgeſſes having taken the Oaths appointed, and ſubſcribed the Teſt, the Houſe waited on his Honour the Governor, in the Council Chamber, who directed them to proceed to the Choice of a Speaker; and, being return'd, made Choice of *John Robinſon*, Eſq; who was Speaker to the former Aſſembly. Having receiv'd the Governor's Approbation of their Choice, Mr. Speaker, in the Name of the Houſe, petition'd him, that they might enjoy their ancient Rights and Privileges, eſtabliſh'd either by Law or Cuſtom; to which his Honour anſwer'd, *That it ſhould be his eſpecial Care to maintain the Houſe in the Enjoyment of all their juſt Rights and Privileges*; and then was pleas'd to make the following Speech.

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes.

HIS Majeſty having been graciouſly pleaſed to honour me with his Commiſſion, to be Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief of

of this his Dominion of *Virginia*; I thought it my Duty to call you together, that we may jointly conſider what we are impower'd to do, for promoting his Majeſty's Intereſt, and the Proſperity of this Colony.

I have ſo juſt a Senſe of the Importance of the Truſt devolved upon me, and Solicitude to diſcharge the ſame with Honour, as wholly prevents my Attention to thoſe Arts, by which Perſons conſcious of great Abilities, or familiar to command by long Habit, are enabled to grace a publick Character.

This Solicitude is increaſed by the Virtues of my Predeceſſor. But tho' my Ambition be diſappointed by the Example I follow, yet Emulation will be animated; if leſs eminent, I may be more uſeful by a ſteady Attention to the Good of this Dominion

During the Time I may have the Honour to preſide, I very ſincerely reſolve, and determine, that my conſtant Care ſhall be to ſupport the Church of *England*, as by Law eſtabliſhed, to encourage Virtue, Piety, and Loyalty to his ſacred Majeſty, and with the utmoſt of my Power, to diſcourage Vice and Immorality.

It ſhall further be my Inclination and Endeavour, to cultivate thoſe Virtues of a ſocial Nature, by keeping up a good, and harmonious Correſpondence with you, in a private as well as a public Capacity; and I ſhall always be ready, to the Extent of my Underſtanding, to aſſiſt you with my Advice, in any Matter that may occur.

Gentlemen, I can, without Regret, reſign all Pretenſions to Eminence, or Diſtinction, as other Acquiſitions are in my Power, which, if leſs envied, are yet allowed to be more valuable: Nor ſhall I be unactive, tho' the Deſire of Fame may be ſuppreſſed. I am conſcious of another Paſſion, which is at once the Motive and Reward of Virtue.

My Affection for you, Gentlemen, will be now gratified, by frequent Opportunities of expreſſing my Zeal for the Good of this Colony (now my Country,) which will be a Spring of Pleaſure in my Breaſt.

It was with great Joy I landed here, inveſted with Power of doing Good to a People, among whom I had formerly mingled in Scenes of domeſtic Felicity, and experienced the endearing Reciprocations of Friendſhip.

But I am very ſenſible the moſt ardent Benevolence, and moſt inviolable Fidelity, are frequently inſufficient to effect their own Purpoſes, but Error has perhaps produced as many public Calamities as Indolence, Avarice, or Ambition. I ſhall therefore, *Gentlemen of the Council*, always receive your Advice with Pleaſure; and *Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes*, I ſhall rely with Confidence on your Aſſiſtance.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes,

That I might indulge the Impatience of my Wiſhes, I have called you together ſo ſoon after my Arrival, that we may concur in the gracious Deſign of His Majeſty, and to expreſs my Duty and Gratitude to Him in the moſt acceptable Manner, by becoming an Inſtrument of Happineſs to my Fellow-Subjects.

The Legiſlature ſhould always be buſy; there are Grievances to redreſs, Irregularities to reform, Defects to ſupply, and Exuberances to cut off. I preſume there are ſome Laws that want Renewal, and probably others that want Amendment. I therefore moſt earneſtly recommend to you the Proſecution of this great Work with Diligence and Expedition. Conſider what Bills may be proper and neceſſary, for promoting the public Quiet, and common Intereſt, by more effectually ſecuring Property, encouraging and extending Commerce, eſtabliſhing the Peace, Safety, and Regularity of an equitable and well-order'd Government. I will aſſiſt you, Gentlemen, to the utmoſt of my Power, in the Attainment of theſe deſirable Purpoſes; and you may expect from me every Conceſſion in your Favour, of which my Inſtructions will admit.

I ſhall be glad if you can find out ſome Method to prevent Delays in the Courts of Juſtice, ſo very inconvenient to the People, and ſo much complained of in *Britain*, as well as here.

Gentlemen of the Council, and Houſe of Burgeſſes,

There is one Thing I recommend to your particular Regard, and that is the Cultivating a good Correſpondence with the neighbouring Nations of *Indians*. It is better they ſhould love us, than that they ſhould fear us; and one of the Two is abſolutely neceſſary. Fear is a ſlaviſh Paſſion, and the Mind is always ſtruggling to throw it off. On the contrary, Love and Amity are propagated by Acts of Kindneſs, the very Exerciſe of which is Delight. The Mind is happy under their Influence; and their Influence, for that Reaſon, is continually gaining new Strength: So that our *European* Neighbours, who are ſettled to the Southward and Northward of us, would never be able to inflame the *Indians* againſt us, if the Advantage of mutual Bounty, Gratitude, and public Faith, oppoſed their Attempts. They have been long endeavouring to ſpirit up the *Indians* that are in Amity with us, to the Breach of their Faith, with a View to poſſeſs and ſettle the interior Parts of *America*, the Back of our Frontier Settlements to the Weſtward. Your own good Senſe will ſoon diſcover, what bad Conſequences ſuch Settlements would be of to us, and our Poſterity. But I have too high an Opinion of your Sagacity, and Virtue, to think any further Arguments are neceſſary to convince you this Meaſure is expedient, or to perſuade you, it is equitable. The Means, how it is to be effected, I would recommend as the Subject of your Deliberations.

I further ſincerely recommend to you, Gentlemen, that both in your public, and private Capacities, you will diffuſe a Spirit of Benevolence, and Unanimity, which are the Vital Principles of public and private Happineſs. By ſuch Conduct you will approve yourſelves good Chriſtians, and good Subjects; you will then render my Adminiſtration honourable and eaſy; you will enjoy the Prayers and Bleſſings of the whole Colony; you will deſerve the paternal Affection of His Majeſty; and you will be entitled to the Favour of Almighty GOD, who, that we might conſider each other as Brethren, has not diſdain'd to be called the Father of us all.

The *True Patriot*, *Trenchard*, is arrived in *York* River, from *Briſtol*. Letters by this Ship adviſe us of the Death of Sir *William Gooch*, Bart. our late Governor.

☞ *Gentlemen who incline to take the Journals of the Houſe of Burgeſſes, are deſired to ſignify their Intention to the Printer as ſoon as poſſible, as very few will be printed beſides thoſe for the Gentlemen of the Aſſembly.*

A LIST of the Repreſentatives in Aſſembly for the ſeveral Counties in VIRGINIA.

For *Accomack*,	Mr. *Edmund Allen*, Mr. *George Douglaſs*.
Albemarle,	Mr. *Joſhua Fry*, Mr. *Allen Howard*.
Amelia,	Mr. *Thomas Tabb*, Mr. *Wood Jones*.
Auguſta,	Mr. *John Maddiſon*, Mr. *John Wilſon*.
Brunſwick,	Mr. *Drury Stith*, Mr. *John Willis*.
Caroline,	Mr. *Edmund Pendleton*, Mr. *Lunsford Lomax*.
Charles-City,	Mr. *Benjamin Harriſon*, Mr. *Richard Kennon*.
Cheſterfield,	Mr. *Richard Eppes*, Mr. *John Bolling*.
Culpepper,	Mr. *John Spotſwood*, Mr. *William Green*.
Cumberland,	Mr. *George Carrington*, Mr. *Samuel Scott*.
Elizabeth City,	Mr. *William Weſtwood*, Mr *John Tabb*.
Eſſex,	Mr. *Francis Smith*, Mr. *Thomas Waring*.
Fairfax,	Mr. *Hugh Weſt*, Mr. *Gerrard Alexander*.
Frederick,	Mr. *George William Fairfax*, Mr. *Gabriel Jones*.
Glouceſter,	Mr. *Beverly Whiting*, Mr, *John Page*.
Goochland,	Mr. *John Payne*, Mr. *John Smith*.
Hanover,	Mr. *John Chiſwell*, Mr. *John Symme*.
Henrico,	Mr. *William Randolph*, Mr. *Bowler Cocke*.
James-City,	Mr. *Carter Burwell*, Mr. *Benjamin Waller*.
Iſle of Wight,	Mr *Robert Burwell*, Mr. *Thomas Gale*.
King George,	Mr. *Charles Carter*, Mr. *Thomas Turner*.
King & Queen,	Mr *John Robinſon*, Sp. Mr. *Philip Johnſon*.
King William,	Mr. *John Martin*, Mr. *Bernard Moore*.
Lancaſter,	Mr *Edwin Conway*, Mr. *Joſeph Chinn*.
Louiſa,	Mr. *Abraham Venable*, Mr. *Thomas Walker*.
Lunenburg,	Mr. *William Byrd*, Mr. *Clement Reade*.
Middleſex,	Mr. *Ralph Wormeley*, Mr. *Chriſtopher Robinſon*.
Nanſemond,	Mr. *Lemuel Riddick*, Mr. *Anthony Holloday*.
New-Kent,	Mr. *Richard Adams*, Mr. *James Power*.
Norfolk,	Mr. *Robert Tucker*, Mr. *Samuel Boush*, jun.
Northampton,	Mr. *Littleton Eyre*, Mr. *John Kendall*.
Northumberland,	Mr. *Preſley Thornton*, Mr. *Spencer Ball*.
Orange,	Mr. *George Taylor*, Mr. *Benjamin Cave*.
Prince George,	Mr. *Richard Bland*, Mr. *Stephen Dewey*.
Princeſs Anne,	Mr. *Anthony Walke*, jun. Mr. *Edward Hacke Moſeley*.
Prince William,	Mr. *Thomas Harriſon*, Mr. *Joſeph Blackwell*.
Richmond,	Mr. *John Woodbridge*, Mr. *Landon Carter*.
Southampton,	Mr. *Ethelbred Taylor*, Mr. *Thomas Jarrell*.
Spotſylvania,	Mr. *William Waller*, Mr. *Rice Curtis*.
Stafford,	Mr. *William Fitzhugh*, Mr. *Peter Hedgman*.
Surry,	Mr. *Robert Jones*, Mr. *Auguſtine Claiborne*.
Warwick,	Mr. *William Harwood*, Mr. *William Digges*.
Weſtmoreland,	Mr. *John Bufhrode*, Mr. *Robert Vaulx*.
York,	Mr. *John Norton*, Mr. *Dudley Digges*.
James-Town,	Mr. *Edward Travis*.
Norfolk Borough,	Mr. *John Hutchings*.
Williamſburg,	Mr. *Armiſtead Burwell*.
William & Mary College,	Mr. Attorney General.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Hampton, February 25, 1752.

THE Ship *Friendſhip*, of *Kirkcudbright*, Capt. *James Brown*, by Way of *Madeira*, arrived in *Hampton*-Road the 22d of this Inſtant, Burthen about 360 Hogſheads of Tobacco, and will take Freight for any Port in *Great-Britain*, on as reaſonable Terms as uſual to ſuch Ports as is ſhipp'd to. The Subſcriber intends to be at *Williamſburg* next Week; where any Gentlemen may have Opportunity to commune on Terms of Freight with

Their humble Servant,

1 *William Rain.*

N. B. Any Gentleman may be ſupplied with good old *Madeira* Wine, either in Pipes, Hhds. or Quarters, on reaſonable Terms, by *W. R.*

Feb. 27, 1752.

ALL my Clients, or others, who may have any Buſineſs with me during the Sitting of the General Aſſembly, may direct their Letters to, or find me, at the Houſe of *James Taylor* (Taylor) on the main Street, juſt below the Church, in *Williamſburg*.

Edmund Pendleton.

February 20, 1752.

RAN away, laſt Night, from the Subſcriber, living in *Weſtmoreland* County, Two Convict Servants, a Man and a Woman, *viz.*

John Oſborne, an *Engliſh* Man, who underſtands Farming, of a middle Stature, freſh Complexion, aged about 25 Years, ſpeaks good *Engliſh*, and has a Mole on his left Cheek; he has ſtolen ſeveral Things, *viz.* a Suit of fine Broad Cloth Cloaths, dark Drab, about half worn and full trimm'd, with ſeveral Shirts and Stockings, a Pair of old Boots, a grey cut bob Wig, and a fine Hat about half worn.

Anne Barret, an *Engliſh* Woman, of a middle Stature, aged about 24 Years, pitted with the *Small-Pox*, ſhe is thin viſag'd, has a long Noſe, and ſpeaks good *Engliſh*; took away a ſtrip'd Cotton Holland Gown, a white Callimanco quilted Petticoat, new Pumps with red Heels, a red Cloak, with ſeveral Kinds of Head-dreſſes, Ruffles, Aprons, &c.

They alſo ſtole Two Horſes, *viz.* one a very large valuable Bay, about 5 Years old, paces well, and is branded SE; the other a middle-ſiz'd Black Horſe, about 4 Years old, paces a little, and often keeps his Tongue out when rode. They took with them two Chair Saddles and a Chair Bridle.

Whoever takes up and conveys the ſaid Servants, or either of them to me, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows; and alſo a Piſtole for each Horſe, when deliver'd, paid by

3‖ *Willoughby Newton.*

Williamſburg, Feb. 27, 1752.

To be SOLD very cheap, for ready Money,

OLIVES, Anchovies, Capers, Sweet Oil, Raiſins, Currans, Sweet Meats, *Caſtile* Soap, *Seville* Oranges, Lemmons, Red Port, Sherry, Tent, Madeira, Rum, French Brandy, Cyder, Vinegar, White Wine ditto, Garden Seeds, Scotch Herrings, Smoaking and Pigtail Tobacco, &c. &c.

Joſeph Scrivener.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living at *Weſtham*, above the Falls of *James* River, in *Cheſterfield* County, a brown coloured Horſe, about 13 Hands and a half high, with an unknown Brand: Alſo a Bay Mare, about 13 Hands high, with a long Tail, not branded. The Owners may have them of me, on proving their Property, and paying the Charge of this Advertiſement.

Roderick Eaſley.

A COCK-MATCH will be fought on the 7th Day of *April* next, at the Ordinary formerly *Seayre's* Ordinary, near *Hobbs's-Hole*, in *Eſſex* County, for Sixty Piſtoles. 1‖

To

To be SOLD,

ON *Friday* the 20th of *March* next, at *West-Point*, pursuant to the Last Will of *Mary Lambeth*, deceas'd, all her Estate, consisting of a new Sloop, Burthen 70 or 80 Hogsheads, with her Tackle; Two Negroe Fellows, very capable of going by Water, one has been a Skipper, and a good House Wench, Stock, and Houshold Furniture; also Two other Negroe Fellows, capable of going by Water, are to be hired out. Credit will be allowed 'til the first of *August*, the Purchaser giving Bond and good Security to

2‖ *William Meredith*, and *John Martin*.

STOLEN or stray'd from *Eltham*, in *New-Kent* County, about the Middle of *January* last, a Pair of black Horses, branded on the near Buttock WB in a Piece, with a white Snip on their Foreheads, one of them has also a white Foot, and was, when bought, branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock C. B. Whoever brings them to Mr. *Richard Allen* in *New-Kent*, or to the Subscriber in *Williamsburg*, shall have Two Pistoles Reward, paid by

Elizabeth Bassett.

STRAY'D from the Subscriber's Plantation in *Spotsylvania* County, last Summer, a Roan Mare, bought of Mr. *Samuel M'Cluer* of *Shenando*, branded on the near Shoulder R, and on the near Buttock W.

Also a small Bay Horse, which, 'tis believ'd, is branded D within a Diamond.

Also a bright Bay Mare Colt, two Years old, with long spreading Hoofs, her Belly is something lighter than the other Part of her Body.

Also Three Steers, and Two Cows, branded on the Horns T D, or D witin a Diamond, on the Buttock, obscurely.

Whoever gives Intelligence of them to Mr. *Benjamin Pullum*, or Mr. *Abraham Mayfield*, in the Fork of *Spotsylvania*, or to the Subscriber in *King William*, so that they may be had again, shall be rewarded according to Law.

Thomas Dansie.

Feb. 27, 1752.

A LARGE dark brown Steer, has been at the Subscriber's Plantation, in *King William* County, some Time; also some Plank, which was taken up. The Owners may have them of me, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

Thomas Dansie.

NOTICE is hereby given

To the LADIES *and* GENTLEMEN,

THAT the Subscriber purposes to have a BALL, at the *Apollo*, in *Williamsburg*, once every Week, during the Sitting of the General Assembly and Court.

Alexander Finnie.

Williamsburg, February 24, 1752.

A SOBER Person, well recommended, who hath been us'd to the Employment of an Oysterman on *York* River, may meet with good Encouragement, on applying to

Benjamin Bryan.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *Hanover* County, about 18 Miles from *Page*'s Warehouse, containing about 1000 Acres, more or less: There are three Plantations on the said Land, with very good Buildings. The Terms may be known by applying to the Subscriber, on the Premisses.

3‖ *John Winn.*

TO be SOLD, at *Fredericksburg*, on the 7th of *April* next, being *Spotsylvania* Court Day, a Parcel of choice Negroes.

Roger Dixon.

Pursuant to an Act of Assembly,

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subscriber, living in *Amelia* County, hath taken up and posted at the Court-house, according to Law, and now in his Possession a small Bay Mare, branded on the near Shoulder TM in a Piece, and on the near Buttock M, having been appraised to the Value of Three Pounds Current Money.

The Owner may have her of me, on paying as the Law directs.

3‖ *Philip Pledger.*

February 6, 1751.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, a dark Bay Mare, with a Star in her Forehead, and a Snip on her Nose, she is about 4 Feet 3 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock thus ⊏, she came big with Foal and is since foaled. The Owner may have her of me, on paying as the Law directs.

Richard Eggleston.

February 22, 1752.

WHEREAS *Anne Stacey*, Wife to the Subscriber, living in *York* County, hath eloped from her Husband, and run him in Debt, this is to warn all Persons for the future not to trust her on his Account, for he will pay no Debts she may contract; and any Person entertaining her, will be prosecuted to the utmost Rigour of the Law, by

1‖ *John Stacey.*

To be SOLD,

ONE Thousand Acres, or thereabouts, of very good Land, situate on *Nansemond* River, between two Creeks, within a Mile of *Suffolk* Town, commonly call'd *Parker's Necks*, hath eight Plantations on it, a great Quantity of good Marsh, and White Oak Timber; the whole may be inclos'd with about a Mile of Fence: There are several Houses, Orchards, and other Conveniencies. Any Person inclinable to purchase, may view the Premisses, and know the Terms, by applying to Mr. *Lemuel Riddick* in *Suffolk*, or to Capt. *Whitwell*, Commander of His Majesty's Ship *Triton*.

THE *Mary*, Capt. *Staniforth*, now lying at Capt. *Dansie*'s, in *Pamunkey* River, will take in Tobacco for *London*, at Seven Pounds *per* Ton, with Liberty of Consignment. All Persons that are inclined to ship, are desired to send their Notes or Orders to the Captain on Board, to Mr. *William Spiller*, at *King William* Court-House, or to the Subscriber, in *York*.

t. f. *William Stevenson.*

N. B. She will carry about 360 Hogsheads, and will positively sail next *April*.

Feb. 20, 1752.

IF there are 600 Subscribers for my Abridgment of the new Laws by the last of the next General Court, the Copy shall be sent to the Press within a Month after the Acts of the approaching Session are printed, that I may add them, and make it complete: But as I shall wait no longer, if the Subscription is not by that Time filled up, those who have subscribed shall have their Money returned, which I should not have troubled myself with, if I could have thought of any other Expedient to secure myself against the base Usage I met with from the Subscribers to my former Abridgment, who left above 1200 of them on my Hands, tho' I had sent them, at a considerable Expence, to the several Counties where they lived.

7 *John Mercer.*

Brandon, Feb. 17, 1752.

RAN away on *Tuesday* Se'nnight, from the Subscriber, a Servant Man, named *Thomas Norris*, by Trade a Taylor; he is about 5 Feet 9 Inches high, well-set, of a swarthy Complexion, has a Scar on his Forehead, his Cloaths are, a light coloured Cloth Coat and Breeches, a double-breasted Plaid Jacket, black Stockings, and a short dark grizzled Wig: He has taken some other Cloaths with him, and a Pair of Boots. It is imagined he is gone to *Carolina*, having been seen on *James* River since his Elopement. Whoever will bring him to me, shall have Two Pistoles Reward if taken in this Colony, or Five if in any other.

7 *Philip Grymes.*

TAKEN up by the Subscriber a Four-oar'd Yaul, her upper Streak painted Red. The Owner may have her of me, at *James* Town, paying Charges.

Robert Higginson.

AT the Subscriber's Dwelling-House, in *Isle of Wight* County, on the second Day of *March* next, will be expos'd to Sale to the highest Bidder, a beautiful Creature, called a LEOPARD. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving Bond and Security to

2 *Richard Hardy*, Administrator.

Williamsburg, Feb. 19, 1752.

SEveral Difficulties and Impediments in the Business I so lately undertook, subjecting me to the Necessity of giving it over; I thought it incumbent on me to give this Notice thereof.

I have divers Rooms or Apartments to let, also a large Stable with Stalls for about Twenty Horses.

2 *Daniel Fisher.*

ANY Gentleman, and others, that have Occasion of any Kind of Wigs, may be supplied, on applying to me in *Williamsburg*, Price of brown Wigs a Pistole and a Half, by Their humble Servant,

William Peake.

N. B. I shall keep Shop at Mr. *William Dunn*'s.

February 7, 1752.

LOST on *Wednesday* Night last, from *Hanover* Court-House, a middle-size grey Mare, with a Switch Tail, her Brand unkown; she had on a *Virginia*-made Saddle with a Leather Housing; when she is rode she has an uncommon Way of blowing thro' her Nose. Whoever brings her to me, or gives Intelligence so that I may have her again, shall have Ten Shillings Reward.

Major Kimbrow.

To be SOLD, on the 10th Day of March *next, at* Prince George *Court-house, being Court-Day,*

ALL the Lands and Lots belonging to the Estate of the Reverend *Robert Ferguson*, deceas'd, by Virtue of a Power of Attorney from the Heir of the said *Ferguson* to *Andrew Sproul*, Merchant, in *Norfolk*, who will grant Deeds to the Purchaser, and give Security if required. Six Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaser giving good Security.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *King William* County, on *Mattapony* River, within four Miles of *Aylett*'s Warehouse, convenient to Church and Mills, well timber'd, with all convenient Buildings for Cropping. The Terms may be known, on applying to me, in *Williamsburg*.

Armistead Burwell.

As several Persons have been indebted to me for a long Time, and still neglect to settle their Accounts, they may be assured, that if they do not settle soon, and pay off their respective Ballances, their Accounts will be delivered to an Attorney, with Orders to bring Suit thereon.

Armistead Burwell.

Cumberland County, *February* 3, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, a middle-siz'd dark Bay Horse, about 4 Feet 8 Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, a blind Brand on his near Buttock resembling W, trots altogether, and had on a small Bell. The said Horse hath been valued at Five Pounds Current Money, by three honest Housekeepers. The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property and paying Charges.

Mary Walton.

Hanover County, *February* 5, 1752.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber a Stray pied Steer, marked with a Crop and an Underkeel in the left Ear, and a Hole in the right, which hath been posted according to Law, and valued at Thirty-five Shillings.

John Henry.

To be SOLD on reasonable Terms, by the Subscriber,

THREE Hundred and Seventy Five Acres of choice, plantable, well-timber'd, and chiefly low Land, fronting the *Rivanna* River, near *Machunck* Creek, joining *Robert Adams*'s, *Robert Horseley*'s, and *Pointer*'s Lands, once the Property of, and settled by *James Whaley*, deceas'd, then in *Goochland* County: Also 377 Acres of choice Land, and very advantageously situated, for raising of Stock, in *Nansemond* County, about 15 Miles from *Suffolk*. Any Person inclinable to purchase Part, or all the said Lands, may treat with me, at any Time in *Norfolk*, or from the 15th to the 20th Days of next *April*, at the House of Mr. *Wetherburn*, in *Williamsburg*.

11 *Alexander Ross.*

Just PUBLISH'D, *and to be SOLD, at the* Printing-Office, *in* Williamsburg,

MISCELLANEOUS POEMS, chiefly on Divine Subjects. In two Books. Published for the Religious ENTERTAINMENT of CHRISTIANS in general. By *Samuel Davies*, V. D. M. in *Hanover*, *Virginia*.

Nov. 1, 1751.

AS the Subscriber intends to leave this Colony in 6 or 8 Months, he proposes to let the Plantation of *Maycox*, in *Prince George* County, on *James* River, containing 600 Acres of good Land for Tobacco, Corn, Wheat, or Pasturage, on which is a commodious Brick Dwelling-House, two Story high, 64 by 42, with Cellars, a Brick Kitchen and other convenient Houses; also the Warehouse of *Maycox*, a publick Ferry to *Westover*, a Store-House with a Room and Brick Chimney, and Warehouse well situate to Trade. There are two Orchards on the above Plantation of choice Fruit.

Also a Plantation about 6 Miles from *Maycox*, containing 125 Acres, on which is a Mill; and another Plantation, distant about 12 Miles from *Maycox* and 6 from the Mill, of 900 Acres, both provided with Houses and what else is necessary for making Tobacco, Corn, &c. together with 25 Slaves, of whom 15 work on the Ground, and the others Tradesmen and House Servants.

Whoever inclines to rent the above, or any Part thereof, may apply to the Subscriber, at *Maycox*, who will let them know the Terms.

t. f. *G. M'Murdo.*

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